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United Protestant Campus Ministries in Cleveland (UPCaM)

Growing Deeper in Faith, Together

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United Protestant Campus Ministries in Cleveland (UPCaM) is an ecumenical ministry supporting college students across Cleveland. Two years ago, we began revitalizing campus ministry at Case Western Reserve University, and today student participation, leadership, and enthusiasm are thriving.

Our growth has come from building authentic relationships and listening deeply to students. The Church is changing, and so are the ways young adults seek faith and community. Students long for inclusive spaces where they can ask difficult questions, explore spirituality, and encounter God's love without fear. They also face practical challenges, including food insecurity, housing during school breaks, and access to basic necessities. UPCaM responds by caring for the whole student—body, mind, and spirit, in partnership with local congregations.

That success has inspired a new chapter: re-establishing UPCaM at Cleveland State University. In partnership with Trinity Cathedral and First Presbyterian Church of Cleveland, we are building a welcoming community where CSU students can explore faith and grow together.

One of the greatest joys of this ministry is watching students and churches transform one another. Recently, a partner congregation prepared a meal and joined us for Sunday Dinner Church. During worship, a student from Eswatini taught us a praise song in Zulu, and soon everyone was singing and dancing together. Afterward, students and church members gathered around the table to talk about Scripture, justice, and faith. Our guests immediately asked when they could come back.

We are proud to be your campus ministry. The future of the Church is not waiting for young adults to find us—it is found wherever we are willing to meet them. Through meals, worship, Bible study, service, and pastoral care, UPCaM is creating spaces where students experience the radical love of Christ.

Join us as a volunteer, Dinner Church cook, homestay host, prayer partner, or financial supporter.

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